

## MRS. FANNIE FLESH MORSE FILES SUIT FOR DIVORCE.

## Outcome of the Shooting of J. B. Kendail by Thrasher Hall Thursday Night.

## MANY INDIGNITIES CHARGED.

**Correspondent Is Named —  
Husband Intimates Cross  
Bill Will Be Entered.**

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The allegations cover almost the entire gamut of infractions of the marital relations, and a correspondent is named. It is understood that Mr. Morse will file a cross bill in the immediate future.

Mrs. Morse's suit has been in contemplation for a year and a half, during which time Mr. Morse has been so harassed. Pressure by her friends, she says, especially by Glenn Morse, a son of Mr. Morse, by a former marriage, as well as considerations for her three young sons, kept her from filing the papers before. The shooting of Thursday night, and the sensational allegations made by Mr. Morse and his friends, she says, have been the cause that no other course but a request for legal separation was available if she would silence the rumors with which her name has been connected.

The petition covers less than three typewritten pages.

The allegations are: Such indignities as

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THOMAS P. MORSE.

would render the condition of the plaintiff intolerable; a general charge of habitual drunkenness; failure to support herself and her children; abandonment for a long period of time.

ried; failure on the part of the defendant to keep the promises he made when a reconciliation was effected, and which lasted for one year; personal abuse; application of vile and opprobrious epithets; threats of

personal violence at divers times; drawing and pointing a pistol at the plaintiff, and threats to kill her and the children; statutory offenses, in which a woman known as "Dixie" is named as a correspondent, the

charge being made that Mrs. Morse went to the woman's home, then on Virginia avenue, was refused admittance, but finally effected an entrance, and, while failing to find Mr. Morse, afterwards charged him with being there, received a denial, then

an admission of guilt, and a promise to do better; the story of reconciliation, allegations charging failure on the part of the defendant to keep his promises, and a repetition of all the former charges, with the

**Her Attorney's Statement.**

The petition was prepared in the office of former Lieutenant Governor Charles F. Johnson yesterday afternoon. Mrs. Morse, Governor Johnson and Attorney Ben F. Clark taking part in the work. The papers were drawn up by Mr. Clark and taken by

"The charges are sweeping," said Governor Johnson last night, "but the evidence that Mrs. Morse has seems to be sufficient to prove all of them. I am convinced that

to prove any of them. I am convinced that she is a much persecuted woman, and that the allegations that have been made against her and gentlemen whose friendship for her has been wholly blameless, are absolutely unwarranted by the facts. She anticipates

the necessity for making many disagreeable disclosures, and for that reason refused for a long time to institute proceedings for the divorce. But after the occurrences of Thursday night she deemed this the only course to pursue, and took it. All the evi-

ence so far revealed tends to show that she has been patient under a very severe burden, and no fault should be found with her because she has at last asked for release from her marital bonds. Mr. Clark